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SUBJECT: KOREA AT 6TH SESSION LOS

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1. KOREAN PRESS MAY 20 NOTED ROKG APPOINTMENT OF AMBASSADOR-AT-LARGE (AND FORMER AMBASSADOR TO THE U.S.) HAM PYONG-CHUN AS HEAD OF 14 MAN ROK DELEGATION TO THE 6TH SESSION OF THE 3RD UN LOS CONFERENCE OPENING IN NEW YORK MAY 23. MOFA CHIEF OF TREATIES DIVISION PAE KYONG-SUNG BRIEFLY DISCUSSED ROK PLANS FOR 6TH SESSION WITH EMBOFF SAME DAY. PAE WILL JOIN KOREAN DELEGATION IN NEW YORK IN EARLY JUNE.

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2. PAE SAID ROK POSITIONS AT THE 6TH SESSION WILL NOT DIFFER SIGNIFICANTLY FROM EARLIER STANCES AT THE 4TH AND 5TH SESSIONS. WHILE INDICATING SOME KOREAN CONCERN OVER ISSUES OF CONTROL OF STRAITS AND 200 MILE ECONOMIC ZONES, PAE SAID KOREANS WILL PROBABLY ONLY LISTEN CLOSELY TO DISCUSSION OF ISSUES BY OTHER NATIONS.

3. PAE SAID, HOWEVER, THAT KOREA MAY DECLARE 12 MILE TERRITORIAL WATERS AND 200 MILE ECONOMIC ZONE BEFORE END OF 6TH SESSION. ARTFULLY AVOIDING ENDORSEMENT OF VIEW ESPRESSED IN SOME KOREAN PRESS RECENTLY THAT KOREA SHOULD THREATEN SUCH ACTION IN ATTEMPTS AT PERSUADING JAPANESE TO RATIFY CONTINENTAL SHELF AGREEMENT, PAE ONLY NOTED ROKG HAS COMPLETED STUDY OF THESE MEASURES, AND WILL REFRAIN FOR TIME BEING FROM FURTHER STEPS FOR FEAR OF ALARMING JAPANESE DURING THEIR CONSIDERATION OF THE AGREEMENT. SNEIDER

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